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Title: PLASMA ARC TORCH AND METHOD FOR IMPROVED  
LIFE OF PLASMA ARC TORCH CONSUMABLE PARTS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 15, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

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Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 25 of this paper.